Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to honor remarkable Show-Me State couples who have experienced the good fortune of success in marriage, a most delightful task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

Whereas, the union of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie A. Cook, residents of Jackson, Missouri, is characterized by their enduring affection and serves as a glorious illustration of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, Leslie and Ruby Cook commemorated the joyous occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration hosted by their loved ones on January 7, 2007, at Whitewater United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, as they proudly marked this splendid milestone in their life, Leslie and Ruby Cook undoubtedly looked back with satisfaction upon all that has transpired since they pledged their eternal love to one another and began their long, joyful walk down life's path; and

Whereas, it was six wondrous decades ago that Leslie A. Cook and Ruby Marie Quade joined their hands, their hearts, and their lives together in a solemn nuptial ceremony officiated by the Reverend Channing Miller and witnessed by Betty Quade Brucker, Ruby Cook Stroder, Clyde Quade, and Alfred Chapman on January 11, 1947, at Christ Lutheran Church in Gordonville; and

Whereas, over the course of the past sixty years, Leslie and Ruby Cook have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Chaplain Terry and Annette Cook of Slidell, Louisiana, Ron and Sandra Cook and Keith and Teresa Cook of Whitewater, and Paul and Shirley Bond of Cape Girardeau; nine grandchildren; and sixteen great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Leslie and Ruby Cook have distinguished themselves as a remarkable couple, whose sixty years of shared joy and contentment so beautifully illustrate the strength, grace, and splendor of the lasting marriage bond:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Leslie and Ruby Cook upon the joyous occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary and in further wishing them continued happiness in the years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Leslie A. Cook, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by \_

Representative Scott A. Lipke District No. 157

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1592, adopted March 29, 2007.